

Results of Brief Enforcement Hearings – September 9, 2004

Note: Brief Enforcement Hearings are heard by a Single Commissioner, normally the Chair of the Commission. Brief enforcement hearings are held when the facts are undisputed, the violations appear to be relatively minor in nature, and a penalty no greater than \$500 will be assessed for the violations. A respondent may appeal the results of a brief enforcement hearing by asking the full Commission to review the findings of the Single Commissioner.

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1. **Jeremy Hawkins**, Case #04-555

Results: The Respondent violated RCW 42.17.240 by failing to timely file the Statement of Financial Affairs by April 15, 2004.

Assessed Penalty: \$200, with \$100 suspended on the condition that the Respondent commits no further violations of RCW 42.17.240 while holding his current office.

2. **Jeffrey Eiesland**, Case #04-613

Results: The Respondent violated RCW 42.17.240 by failing to timely file the Statement of Financial Affairs by April 15, 2004.

Assessed Penalty: The Chair acted to assess a \$100 penalty, unless a stipulated penalty of \$100 was received by September 7, 2004, in which case no Order would be entered in the case. No stipulation was received, and the \$100 assessed penalty became effective.

3. **Steven Higgins**, Case #04-678

Results: The Respondent violated RCW 42.17.240 by failing to timely file the Statement of Financial Affairs by April 15, 2004.

Assessed Penalty: \$150.

4. **Bruce Chattin**, Case #05-009

Results: The Respondent violated RCW 42.17.170 by failing to timely file the monthly Lobbyist Expense Report for the month of June 2004.

Assessed Penalty: \$150.

5. **Lloyd Flem**, Case #05-011

Results: The Respondent violated RCW 42.17.170 by failing to timely file the monthly Lobbyist Expense Report for the month of June 2004.

Assessed Penalty: \$50.

6. **Jennifer Mielenz**, Case #05-014

Results: The Presiding Officer acted to continue the case to the next brief enforcement hearing so that the Respondent could be given an opportunity to participate.

7. **Deborah Murphy**, Case #05-015

Results: The Respondent violated RCW 42.17.170 by failing to timely file the monthly Lobbyist Expense Report for the month of June 2004.

Assessed Penalty: \$150.

Request to Vacate Order

1. **Jesse Garrison**, Case #04-565

Results: At a brief enforcement hearing held on June 21, 2004, the Respondent was found to have violated RCW 42.17.240 by failing to timely file the Statement of Financial Affairs, PDC Form F-1, due by April 15, 2004, and was assessed a civil penalty of \$150. Staff subsequently found that the Respondent was not a Fire Commissioner for Lewis County Fire Protection District during 2003, as originally reported by the District. Since the Respondent did not hold office during 2003, he was not required to file a Personal Financial Affairs Statement on April 15, 2004.

Assessed Penalty: The presiding officer acted to vacate the initial order entered in Case No. 04-565, and dismissed the case.

Brief enforcement hearings were held for 15 Respondents who PDC staff alleged had failed to timely file the annual Statement of Financial Affairs (PDC form F-1) and/or the Candidate Registration (PDC form C-1) due within two weeks of becoming a candidate in the 2004 election. The results of the brief enforcement hearings for the 15 Respondents, and for three additional Respondents whose cases were presented to the Presiding Officer, are included on a separate spreadsheet.

Brief enforcement hearings were held for 8 Respondents who PDC staff alleged had failed to electronically file all contribution and expenditure reports for the current campaign as required. The results of the brief enforcement hearings for the 8 Respondents are included on a separate spreadsheet.